

Burns Harbor Town Council
Regular Meeting
August 10, 2016

The Town Council of the Town of Burns Harbor, Porter County, Indiana met in its regular session on Wednesday, August 10, 2016 in the Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by Council President, Raymond Poparad at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was recited.

Roll Call: Toni Biancardi ----- Present

Andrew Bozak ----- Absent

Eric Hull ----- Absent

Raymond Poparad ---- Present

Marcus Rogala ----- Present

Clerk-Treasurer Jane Jordan was present. A quorum was attained.

Additional Officials Present: Attorney Clay Patton, Street Superintendent Pat Melton.

Also Present: Jeff Schultz of the Chesterton Tribune

Approval of Minutes:

Councilwoman Biancardi made a motion to approve July 13, 2016 meeting minutes.

Councilman Rogala seconded the motion. Councilwoman Biancardi – Aye, Councilman Bozak – Absent, Councilman Hull – Absent, Councilman Poparad – Aye, Councilman Rogala – Aye.

Motion passed.

Burns Harbor Scholarship Awards moved forward in the agenda:

Scholarship Board Member Phyllis Constantine presented the 2016 Scholarship awards to Nicole Arney, Victoria Bain, Jennifer Cavezza, Mark Childress, Keeli Day, Hannah Kish, Madison Kurtz, Maxwell Kurtz and Kara Zych. Each was awarded \$1,500.00 to assist with college expenses.

At 7:04 p.m. Council President Poparad called a recess in the meeting to allow the Council members to get their photograph taken with the Scholarship recipients.

Meeting resumed at 7:11 p.m.

Reports:

Clerk-Treasurer Jordan informed the Council she would be out of the office attending training from August 14th through August 16th and on vacation the week of the August 28th. Last week, someone stopped in the Town Hall and requested directions to the hospital from Corinne Peffers. Corinne was concerned enough to call an ambulance on his behalf. When paramedics arrived, they indicated the man may not have made it to the hospital on his own. Corinne probably saved the man's life.

Street Superintendent Pat Melton informed the Council that South Babcock has been marked and paving may begin soon. Leaf pickup will begin in the middle of October dates to follow. Councilman Poparad requested that residents place leaves on the ditch side of the road. No items other than leaves, please. Clerk-Treasurer Jordan indicated that large item pick up is scheduled for September 15th. Councilman Rogala thanked the street department for cutting back the brush on Westport. Councilman Poparad thanked the street department for cleaning up the corner of Salt Creek and asked Superintendent Melton to contact the State to mow US 20.

In absents of a Park Board representative, Councilman Rogala informed the Council swimming at the beach will only be open on weekends now through Labor Day. The Park budget and future needs was submitted. The Town Picnic is Sunday, August 21st from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Pumpkin Dash and Fall Festival is October 22nd and requested a town donation. Councilman Rogala made a motion that the Town donations one thousand dollars to the Park's Fall Festival. Councilwoman Biancardi seconded the motion. Councilwoman Biancardi – Aye, Councilman Bozak – Absent, Councilman Hull – Absent, Councilman Poparad – Aye, Councilman Rogala – Aye. **Motion passed.**

The following purchase orders were presented for discussion: purchase order #2400, 2401, 2420 and 2421.

Correspondence:

IDEM – Notice of Public Comment – SMS Mill Services ArcelorMittal on-site contractor Part 70 Operating Permit Renewal
IDEM – Notice of Public Comment – US Steel – Midwest Plant in Porter County Part 70 Operating Permit Renewal

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IDEM – Approval of Fritz Enterprises in Porter County Title V Permit Renewal
IDEM – Approval of US Steel Midwest Plant in Porter County Title V Permit Renewal
Peoples Bank – Letter of Credit Village of Burns Harbor Phase 4A
Shared Ethics Advisory Commission – Board and Commission Ethics Training September 29th
TPP and Harmful Trade Agreements

Councilman Poparad asked if everything was in compliance for the acceptance of Village in Burns Harbor Phase 4A. Street Superintendent Melton stated the street lights are not all working. Councilwoman Biancardi indicated the letter of credit is one piece of accepting the phase and the street lights are another. We'll reach out to them.

Share Ethics Committee member Phyllis Constantine informed the Council that the Share Ethics Advisory Commission presented the Town with posters to place at the town buildings. Our Town trainers, Toni Biancardi and Shayna Dujmovich, attended a training refresher course.

Council consensus was to have Attorney Patton draft a resolution pertaining to the TPP and harmful trade agreement for the Council's September meeting.

Presentations, Resolutions, Ordinances and Remonstrance:

Burns Harbor Scholarship Awards:

Discussion moved ahead in the agenda.

Kevin Matthew Pazour, Porter County Historian for the State of Indiana:

Kevin Pazour introduced himself and presented to the Council packets containing information about the County Historian Program.

New Business:

Indiana Boundary Line marker:

Councilwoman Biancardi informed those present that the Indiana Boundary Line cuts through the Town in Shadyside Park. This year in honor of the State's Bicentennial celebration, the Town plans to install a marker designating the Line. The Town applied for a grant from the State and although we made the running, we were not chosen. A quote was obtained for a one sided bronze plaque with a pedestal for \$2,489. The design would be as close to the State's as possible without being identical.

Kevin Pazour asked the State's reasoning for turning it down.

Councilwoman Biancardi informed him we applied for one of Indiana Historical Bureau's markers but there were a lot of people who applied this year. They did comment they would like us to consider a project that focused on the history of steel. Next year, we will work with the ArcelorMittal and do some sort of marker for that.

Councilwoman Biancardi made a motion that the Town spends not to exceed three thousand dollars on an historical marker. Councilman Rogala seconded the motion. Councilwoman Biancardi – Aye, Councilman Bozak – Aye, Councilman Hull – Aye, Councilman Poparad – Aye, Councilman Rogala – Aye. **Motion passed.**

Councilman Poparad requested that the town engineer locate the line for the marker location.

Clerk-Treasurer Jordan stated that although the Indiana Historical Bureau did not select our idea for a marker this year, the Town's marker was selected as a Legacy Project by the Bicentennial Committee.

Councilwoman Biancardi indicated the State Committee will promote our project.

Kevin Pazour stated and so will we.

Rotary Membership:

After discussion, Councilman Rogala made a motion that the Town becomes a corporate member of the Rotary. Councilwoman Biancardi seconded the motion. Councilman Rogala stated I would like to be considered for one of the three members. Councilman Poparad stated that is six hundred dollars a year including meals. Councilwoman Biancardi stated correct, that covers the dues and your meals and if for some reason two of us wanted to go, the extra would pay for their lunch that day. They need the list of the three members and that can be changed each year. Councilman Poparad stated so we are looking at Marcus, you and Jane. Clerk-Treasurer Jordan

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state I don't mind participating as long as Andy or Eric wouldn't want to. Councilman Poparad stated let's do the membership, we will pick the three later. Councilwoman Biancardi – Aye, Councilman Bozak – Absent, Councilman Hull – Absent, Councilman Poparad – Aye, Councilman Rogala – Aye. **Motion passed.**

Approval to Pay Vouchers:

Councilwoman Biancardi moved to approve all vouchers with three or more signatures. Councilman Rogala seconded the motion. Councilwoman Biancardi – Aye, Councilman Bozak – Absent, Councilman Hull – Absent, Councilman Poparad – Aye, Councilman Rogala – Aye. **Motion passed.**

Approval of Financial Report:

Councilwoman Biancardi moved to approve the July 2016 financial report. Councilman Rogala seconded the motion. Councilwoman Biancardi – Aye, Councilman Bozak – Absent, Councilman Hull – Absent, Councilman Poparad – Aye, Councilman Rogala – Aye. **Motion passed.**

Old Business:

2017 Budget workshop meetings:

Council consensus was to hold its first budget workshops on Tuesday, August 16th, Wednesday, August 17th and Thursday, August 18th beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Town auction outcome:

Councilman Poparad informed those present that the revenue received at the town auction was \$10,343. The town auctioneer was paid \$2,151.45 leaving a profit of \$8,191.55. The departments are cleaned up.

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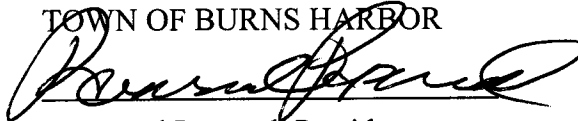
Burns Harbor resident, Gene Weibl of Castle Street asked the Town to involve the Mill in their 50th Birthday plans.

Councilwoman Biancardi informed those present that Wifi is available to guests in the Town Hall.

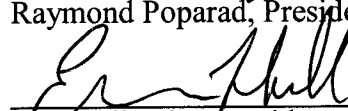
Councilman Rogala made a motion that we adjourn. Councilwoman Biancardi seconded the motion. Councilwoman Biancardi – Aye, Councilman Bozak – Absent, Councilman Hull – Absent, Councilman Poparad – Aye, Councilman Rogala – Aye. **Motion passed.**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting concluded at 7:35 p.m.

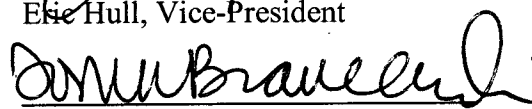
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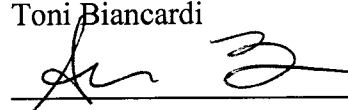
Raymond Poparad, President



Eric Hull, Vice-President



Toni Biancardi

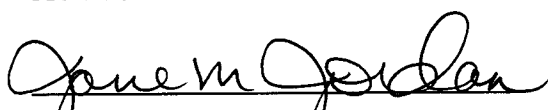


Andrew Bozak



Marcus Rogala

ATTEST:



Jane M. Jordan, IAMC, MMC, CPFA
Clerk-Treasurer